

Summary of June 22, 2012 595 conference call

Attendees: Bill Larsen, Todd Losee, Jerry Fulcher, Ginny Pennala, Melanie Haveman

- 1) Finding of Fact- latest version- this will need to be updated once we get the updated application package.
- 2) Review applicants mitigation proposal- this has not been received yet, it was due this past week
- 3) Stream mitigation- review Mitch's recommendation- Mitch's report was well done. There was a lot of discussion as to how much stream mitigation would be needed. Mitigation should account for additional stream enclosure, as well as stream reconstruction/relocation. (Todd indicated to the consultants on June 15th that they needed to document the benefits to the watershed as a result of their proposal ie additional stream length opened up to fish passage, improvement in sedimentation at the crossing.) There should be some mitigation within each of the watershed. It may be possible to give them credit for improving existing crossings but the applicant needs to describe the improvements to the watershed. It appears that all culvert lengths have been shortened to 80 feet or less. Salmon trout restoration should be considered as mitigation as it would otherwise not have to be done.
- 4) Updates on wolf lake road. Bill has asked the AG's office to review the Township Resolution and the attorney's opinion provided by the applicant. EPA will look at this area when they go to Marquette next week.
- 5) Todd's upcoming field trip- Todd and Ginny will be looking at various portions of the project next week (June 27 and 28th). Some of the items they planned to look at include- the Yellow Dog area, walk the proposed revision area, beaver meadow, proposed re-flooding area for Moose, Warbler area, some of the preservation sites, narrow leave gentia area. Melanie asked if there was time for them to look at some of the wetland areas along the Mulligan East route. Ginny and Todd will plan to meet with EPA before the June 29th meeting with the applicant.
- 6) June 25 draft letter- Ginny will put together a draft this afternoon some of the issues to include are: key points from Todd's email of June 18 that summarized the June 15 conference call with King and MacGregor, summary of key issues from Ginny's June 11-12 field trip, any outstanding issues from their May 29 and June 6 submittals, Mitigation proposal ASAP if not submitted by Monday 6/25, Need for updated application by July 2nd at the latest, include Construction sequence, species listing for the preservation sites
- 7) Updated time line- Jerry updated the June 8 time line.
- 8) Other- EPA has some concerns on the proposed mitigation sites- maybe be too close to or bisected by road and they may need to be larger to protect the wetland function and values. (Todd did indicate this last point to the consultant on June 15.) EPA indicated that some of the preservation along the road may be ok to reduce secondary impacts. EPA will relay these concerns at next Friday's June 29th meeting with the applicant. We should have a revised mitigation proposal before then. Melanie thought it may be a good idea for Steve and Ginny to be at that meeting.
- 9) Stormwater- Todd will ask Amy if Bethany has time to review the stormwater controls proposed by the applicant.